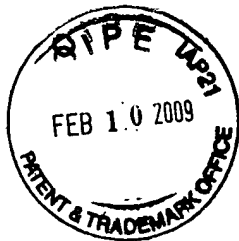


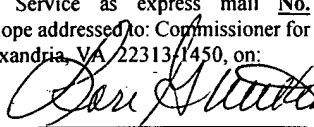
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In response to the Official Action dated December 24, 2008, reconsideration of the outstanding rejection is respectfully requested in view of the Remarks, which begin on page 2 of this Response.